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In re Application of

Josef Dirr

Application No. 10/628,596

Filed: July 16, 2002

DECISION ON PETITION

TO MAKE SPECIAL

For: PROCESS FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF

ANALOG AND DIGITAL INFORMATION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.102 to make special filed December 2, 2004 which is considered as pursuant to MPEP §708.02 (IV), applicant's age.

A petition to make special under MPEP §708.02, IV, must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more. Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition includes a statement by Josef Dirr that he over 65 years of age.

Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.

The application is being forwarded to the examiner for expedited prosecution.

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